



March 31, 2017

Marlene Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: WT Docket No. 10-4, RM 11784
Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Seeks Comment On Wilson Electronics Petition for
Rulemaking to Eliminate the Personal Use Restriction on Wideband Consumer Signal Boosters

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The American Trucking Associations (ATA)¹ submits these comments in response to the Public Notice² requesting comment on the Wilson Electronics (“Wilson”) Petition for Rulemaking which proposes to eliminate the personal use restriction on wideband consumer signal boosters.

In the notice, the Commission seeks comment on, among other things, whether the proposed change in rules would increase the risk of harmful interference to wireless networks, and how the proposal would affect entities seeking to use consumer signal boosters.

As other commenters (National Public Safety Telecommunications Council, Enterprise Wireless Alliance) to this proceeding have noted, there is no evidence that consumer signal boosters are creating harmful interference for wireless networks, due to the Network Protection Standards (NPS) established by the Commission which require consumer signal boosters to meet technical specifications to protect commercial wireless networks from harm. With the safeguard of the NPS in place, ATA does not believe that the risk of harmful interference will increase with the adoption of the proposed rule change.

ATA believes that the proposed rule change would improve speed and coverage of cellular networks to a broader range of users, particularly in remote, rural locations, and enable Public Safety entities to have faster networks and response time, with smaller “black out” areas.

¹ ATA is a united federation of motor carriers, state trucking associations, and national trucking conferences created to promote and protect the interests of the trucking industry. Directly and through its affiliated organizations, ATA represents more than 30,000 motor carriers in the United States encompassing every type and class of motor carrier operation.

² Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Seeks Comment on Wilson Electronics Petition for Rulemaking to Eliminate the Personal Use Restriction on Wideband Consumer Signal Boosters, WT Docket No. 10-4, Public Notice, DA 17-220, released March 3, 2017.

Due to these potential benefits and the technical provisions in place to minimize the potential for harmful interference, ATA supports the Wilson Electronics petition for rulemaking to remove the personal use restrictions for consumer signal boosters.

Respectfully submitted,

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